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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1623  
PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING HYDROGENATED ESTER, HYDROGENATING CATALYST USED THEREFOR AND PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE CATALYST

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ATTN: BOX AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 3, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Please enter the following amended claims:**

4. (Twice Amended) The process for producing a hydrogenated ester according to claim 30, wherein the corresponding hydrogenated ester is a portion or the entirety of the recycled hydrogenated ester which has been produced by the hydrogenation reaction of the unsaturated group-containing ester represented by the general formula (1).